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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOVEMBER 4, 2002
OFFICE ACTION, PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME,
AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the November 4, 2002 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the November 4, 2002 Office Action was originally due February 4, 2003. Applicants understand that this Office Action is Final. Applicants hereby petition a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) with a three-month extension of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the corresponding fee of EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS (\$840.00 = \$375 RCE Fee + \$465 Three-month Extension) to Deposit Account 50-1891. Accordingly, a response is now due May 4, 2003, which is a Sunday. Since a response is due on the next business day